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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6900**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1296

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 14, 2008

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** State funding of child welfare services.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Stevenson

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** ☐ **GENERAL**  
☐ **DEDICATED**  
☐ **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Pending

**Summary of Legislation:** Repeals, effective January 1, 2010, the individual county property tax levies for the county family and children's fund, the county children's psychiatric residential treatment services fund, the county medical assistance to wards fund, and the county children with special health care needs fund. Provides that after December 31, 2009, a county may not impose a property tax levy for these funds. Replaces these county property tax levies with a single property tax levy imposed by the state, with a uniform statewide tax rate. Requires the state to pay child welfare services. Effective January 1, 2010, repeals the property tax levy for the county hospital care for the indigent fund. Provides that after December 31, 2009, a county may not impose a property tax levy for this fund. Replaces the county property tax levies for hospital care for the indigent with a single property tax levy imposed by the state, with a uniform statewide tax rate. Adjusts the distribution of excise tax revenue. Adjusts the distribution formula of county option income taxes to include, for purposes of determining a county's share of the taxes, the average annual amount of property taxes imposed by the county for these property tax levies during 2007 through 2009. Provides for a state-paid property tax replacement credit against a percentage of state welfare property tax and the state hospital care for the indigent tax. Establishes a state child welfare services fund. Appropriates money in the fund to pay expenses of the state and county offices of family and children in providing child services. Makes related changes.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2008; January 1, 2009; January 1, 2010.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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